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From: Beverly K. Philip, MD [bphilip@zeus.bwh.harvard.edu]
Sent: Friday, February 10, 2006 8:24 AM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: wireless communication on airplanes

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As a very frequent traveler, I fully support wireless access for messaging devices and web access.

However, I do NOT support the routine use of cell phones in airplanes. Customers are seated very closely together, and the noise volume, lack of privacy, and forced listening to OTHERS' discussions would make airflight unbearable.

If you are not the correct recipient for this, please let me know who is. Thank you.

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From: LenRandi [lenrandi@comcast.net]
Sent: Monday, January 30, 2006 12:33 PM
To: Guy Benson
Subject: WT Docket No. 04-435

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I wish to comment on use of wireless phones on flights. I could not find a website for specific comments to proposed FCC rules.

Simply, I think use of wireless phones during flights is a terrible idea. It's bad enough to be crowded, have children crying, have little or no service, etc, but now allowing passengers to talk during a flight would be very disruptive to nearby passengers. During flights most people want to be able to read, sleep, work on their laptops, etc. without distraction. More noise is not in the best interest of the public.

History has shown that when people are given the option of using wireless phones, they will use them all the time to the annoyance of many nearby. This is seen in restaurants, theaters, shopping, gyms, etc. It's bad enough that cell phones can be used in airport lounges. Trains now have 'quiet' cars, showing that at least some people do not want to be disturbed by others.

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From: Loughran, Tim [Tim.Loughran@vta.org]

Sent: Friday, February 10, 2006 6:58 PM

To: Guy Benson

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Subject: Wireless cell phones on airplanes

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If this is not the place for the public to have input on this proposal, please forward it to the proper place.

I think that text messaging, web surfing, e-mail, etc. should be the types of cell phone use allowed on planes. The skies are filled with many rude, self centered people. I can only imagine the loud and obnoxious conversations that are now taking place at restaurants and other public places, taking place in the air. Many people who fly TRY to get some sleep while flying. I can just see many arguments that the Flight Attendants will have to deal with if talking was allowed. The only thing that keeps people from using the in-flight phones are the high prices. PLEASE dont let the skies become more un-friendly!

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From: Curt McFarland [mailto:Curt.McFarland@FirstPresYakima.com]

Sent: Wed 3/15/2006 12:14 PM

To: Guy Benson

Subject: Cell Phone Use Airlines

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Guy: I'm not sure who the appropriate contact point is but I hope you can forward this in the right direction. I would like to add my vote against allowing passenger cell phone use on commercial airlines. I strongly believe cell phone use, even if it is determined it will not interfere with airplane guidance systems, will create a cacophony of noise and increase incivility. Air travel should remain a refuge from making and receiving cell phone calls. With appreciation for your public service and your time,

Curt McFarland
Citizen

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-----Original Message-----

From: Bill Curry [mailto:bill@powerseed.com]

Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2006 3:21 PM

To: Lauren Patrich

Subject: NO to Cellphones on Airplanes

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Dear Ms. Patrich:

I want to register my deep-seated opposition to cellphone use in airplanes!

Threats to flight guidance systems is a priority concern but my principal objection relates to the quality of the passenger experience. If someone next to me attempts to use a cell phone I will ask them to cease at once. If that fails, I will call the flight attendant to make the caller cease. If that doesn't work I will make myself equally obnoxious to the cell phone user by reading a newspaper loudly in his ear. This idea has great potential for sparking air rage events.

Is the FCC so much in the pocket of the phone cos. they will ignore the fact an OVERWHELMING percentage of travelers do not want this violation of their sound space? I urge the FCC to vacate this unwise course of action immediately.

Sincerely,

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